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SUBJECT.

Revision of the scale of expenditure of the Melkote Temples

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847. To.

The Mus Comr.—

No 856 of 23-10-30.

Calling for the proposals for the revision of the scale of income and expenditure of the Mus Institutions at Melkote.

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Revision of the scale of fees of the melkote temple.

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BRIEF ABSTRACT OF LETTER.

NOTES AND ORDERS.

As decided in person I have submitted a brief note of the discussions held the First Member had with the Dy Comr of Mysore Sub Divl Officer, Melkote Revenue Inspector & the Dharmadarsi of the melkote temple

NOTES—First Sheet.

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A copy of this note may perhaps be sent to the Dy Comr., through the Mercy Comr., for getting a scale of Exps prepared in the general lines indicated in the Note.

A copy of the Note together with the Statys in original which the Sub Dy Officer left with me will be sent in advance to the Sub Dy Officer to have the Draft Scale ready for Subn as soon as he receives the Dy Comrs Comts on the subject.

Draft Subd for appl. & orders.

BG 5-4-26

The persons orders re Statements & Statutory Abstracts are being Bot up together & a note will be Subd. Enq in the matter

P.A to first Member with Compts.

98/5.4

Subd BG 5/4

Draft appd by the member ordered to be issued at once.

BG 7.4.26

Issued & resubmitted for Secy's information

2 To the Mercy Commr.

No 1279 dy 7.4.26

forwards copy of the WE & calls for Draft Scale of Accounts & Exps for the Temple Submitted to the Revenue Dept for perusal

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2nd Sheet

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In the last paragraph of the Hon'ble Mr. Cope's which was sent to the Mly Comr. in this Office letter no. 1279 dt. 7-4-26, the member was pleased to promise separate orders as regards Stalavasi and Bhatamanja allowances. The previous file on the subject as well as copies of G.O. No. M. 461-2 dt. 8-2-92 issued are submitted for kind perusal, as also a draft set of rules prepared by Mr. T. L. Jegarama Aiyar Retd. Munsif.

Draft letter to the MC forwarding the draft rules & a copy of the G.O. referred to above, is submitted for approval & orders.

10/5/26

P.A. to Mr. M/2 (with compts.)

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Submitted
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Approved
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3 To mem. Comm. No 1452 dt. 13.5.26.

Forwards copy of the G.O of 1892 explaining the scope of Stalavasa, Bhatamanja and Padikara allowances to the temple servants & asks for draft rules on the subject & calls for his opinion & the draft revised rules

NOTE—Contn. Sheet

THAN,
COMMISSIONER.

MYSORE
12/5/25

Dear Sir,

I am submitting Today the proposals for rev^n of Melkote Temple Scale.

I subscribe it a short [illegible] for your kind information.

With respectful regards

Yours sincerely

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[illegible] my duplicate in the Mahamastaka & my successor in accepting the office communicate it the above proposals

I have noted my views & - may be D.C. to the M.C.

Chief Clerk with Compts

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From

The Deputy Commissioner,

Mysore District.

To

The Muzrai Commissioner

in Mysore, Bangalore.

Dated, Mysore, 12th May 1926.

Despatched.

No. C.710/23-24.Muz.

Enc.

Subject:-

Submits the revised scale of income and expenditure of the Melkote Temple.

No.C.710/23-24.Muz.

Office of the Deputy Commissioner,
Mysore District.
Dated.Mysore, 12th May 1926.

From

A.V. Ramanathan, Esq.,B.A.,

Deputy Commissioner,Mysore District.

To

C.S. Balasundaram Iyer, Esq.,B.A.,

Muzrai Commissioner in Mysore,

Bangalore.

Sir,

With reference to correspondence ending with your D.O. letter No.C.773/22-23 dated the 4th May 1926, in the matter of the revision of the scale of expenditure of the Melkote Temple, I have the honor to submit herewith the revised scale of income and expenditure received from the Sub Division Officer, French Rocks, and to state as follows:-

(1) As indicated in the note received from the Revenue Secretary, the pay of whole time servants have been raised and that of others such as Staniks etc., has been left undisturbed. The pay of the Head Gumasta has been raised from Rs.10/- plus 3-8-0 (allowance) to Rs.25/- and that of others three Gumastas has been raised to Rs.10/-, Rs.9/- and Rs.7/- respectively.

(2) All sinecure appointments for which there is no need have been proposed to be abolished. As most of the appointments are hereditary, the problem of reducing the strength of Establishment is beset with many difficulties. Minor appointments the duties of two or more of which can be conveniently be looked after by one individual are clubbed together into a single appointment.

(3) Steps will be taken to see that each service for which separate remuneration is fixed to be performed is

is held by a separate person as far as possible.

(4) The Sub Division Officer, French Rocks, will be instructed to see that the barawardars except AcharyaPurushas and others whose services are honorary, should reside at Melkote and perform the prescribed service in person.

(5) The scale of Nityamatle, Hetchukatle including the Akhanda have been revised as personally instructed by the First Member of Council.

(6) Scale of fees for the several sevas with a view to improve the resources of the Temple, omitting fees for cocoanuts has been revised is submitted for sanction.

(7) The total income of the temples from all sources is estimated to be Rs.26,900-0-0 including the additional grant of Rs.1500/- a year to be sanctioned by Government. Income by levy of toll on vehicles during the important festivals is a fresh item and is estimated to yield Rs.200 per annum.

(8) Out of the total expenditure proposed necessary provision has been made for a Reserve of Rs.~~1559-13-8~~ 159/-13-8 and for the Muzrai Establishment Fund amounting to Rs.1345/-.

(9) Provision for Desanthrike has not been made in the scale and at least a sum of Rs.1200/- will be required under this head and this may be kindly sanctioned by the Government out of the Chattram Savings Fund.

(10) Hosaholalu Sahukar Venkata Setty has deposited Rs.1200/- for endowment of lands to the temple and I am considering the question of granting 24 acres of land under Manchipatna Hutchakere in this connection. I shall address you separately in the matter on the 15th May on my return from inspection of the tank.

(11) The proposals now submitted by the Sub Division Officer, French Rocks, have been made after careful scrutiny and in consultation with the Dharmadarsis and appear to be suitable. I therefore request that early sanction may be obtained to the same.

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

Sd. A. V. Ramanathan,

Deputy Commissioner,

Mysore District.

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V. S. Vaudevan Rao

for Deputy Commissioner,

Mysore D[illegible]

A note to accompany the Revision Proposals of the scale of income and expenditure of the temples at Melkote.

Introductory:- The temples at Melkote to which the present revision proposals have reference consist of:-

(1) Sri Narayanaswami temple with its numerous subsidiary institutions called Horagudies and

(2) Sri Yoga Narasimhaswami temple on the hill.

The tastik now in force was drawn up by the then Muzrai Secretary Mr. A. Srinivasa Char in August 1900. It has not undergone a revision since that date. In persuance of G.O.No. 2538/Muz. F. 694-15-1 dated 2nd April 1917 a preliminary investigation of the income and expenditure of the above institutions was conducted by the Muzrai Superintendent Mr. G. Aravamudu Iyengar. His successor Mr. T. E. Jeyarama Iyer went into the question in greater detail and drew up a revised scale of income and expenditure which he submitted for the orders of Government in 1921. The Government observed in their letter No. 1385/Muz. 205-23-4 dated 9th April 1924 that the margin of reserve viz. 250/- provided in the revised scale was quite inadequate and that they were not in favour of exempting the Melkote Temples from contributing towards the Muzrai Establishment Fund. They therefore directed that the scale may be suitably revised so as to provide for the Muzrai Establishment Fund Contribution and to leave a good margin for the reserve fund. They further directed that if the receipts of the temples were found inadequate to meet the absolutely necessary and unavoidable expenses the question of supplementing the receipts from other sources should be investigated. The proposals of the Muzrai Superintendent were accordingly sent down to the local Officers for revision and resubmission.

THE EXISTING SCALE:- The existing scale of income based

based on the average of the last 13 years is Rs. 23772-0-10 as follows:-

Sri Narayanaswami temple	Rs. 21480- 6- 2
Sri Yoganarasimhaswami temple	Rs. 2291-10- 8
	Rs. 23772- 0-10

Further details are contained in Statement A.

The chief item of income is the cash grant from the State Revenue which was fixed in the year 1900 at Rs. 21920-0-0 as noted below:-

Sri Narayanaswami temple	Rs. 20295-0-0
Sri Yoganarasimhaswami temple	Rs. 1625-0-0
	Rs. 21920-0-0

The tastik patti of 1900 provided for an expenditure of Rs. 21753-12-9:-

Sri Narayanaswami temple	Rs. 20207-4-0
Sri Yoganarasimhaswami temple	Rs. 1546-8-9
	Rs. 21753-12-0

From the above figures it will be seen that the cash grants to the two temples were so fixed as to cover the entire scale of expenditure incurred in those institutions. and to provide for a reserve of Rs. 166-5-3 for annual repairs and other incidental charges. The income from other sources viz., income from lands, interest on investments, Golaks and Mudupa collections and Miscellaneous income amounting to Rs. 1852-0-10 (based on the average of 13 years Vide Statement A) went to build up a strong reserve. If this sum had not been untilised for any purpose whatsoever during the last 25 years the accumulated surplus at the credit of institutions should have exceeded Rs. 45000/-, while, as a matter of fact, the amount at the credit of the temples as per Comptroller's half yearly balance ending with 30th June 1925 is only Rs. 2741-15-1.

This gives us an idea of the Magnitude of expenditure of a non-recurring charector incurred during the last 25 years. The above figures also emphasise the need which exists for providing a good margin of reserve in the revised scale.

It has been stated in the previous para that according to the scale drawn up in 1900, the expenditure was fixed at Rs 21920/-. The actual expenditure now being incurred in the temples amounts to Rs 22333-12-9 (vide statement B)

Sri Narayanaswami temple	Rs 20687-4-0
Sri Yoganarasimhaswami temple	Rs 1646-8-9
	Rs 22333-12-9

The increase is mainly under the head "Establishment". The pay of certain members of the temple establishment such as the Peshkar, the Gumasthas, the Archako etc., underwent revision subsequent to 1900. Thus the Peshkar is now serving in grade 55-2-65 while the tastik patti of 1900 fixes his pay at Rs 25/-. The figure under expenditure given above does not include the cost of annual repairs, white-washing and other incidental charges and the extra allotment asked for every year on such hechukatle occasions as vairamudi and Pavitrotsava festivals. If we take into account these items also the total expenditure per annum actually incurred in the temples appears to be in the neighbourhood of Rs 23000/-.

MUZRAI SUPERINTENDENT'S PROPOSALS The Muzrai Superintendent includes in his proposals Sri Patthabhi Ramaswami temple a minor Muzrai Institution which has now a separate scale of income and expenditure. According to his estimate the total income from all sources will be Rs 23775-0-0 (vide his Statement of income):-

Sri Narayanaswami temple	Rs 21456-0-0
Sri Yoganarsimhaswami temple	Rs 2245-8-0
Sri Pattabhiramaswami temple	Rs 73-8-0
	Rs 23775-0-0

He fixes the expenditure in the several institutions as follows:- (vide his abstract of expenditure)

Sri Narayanaswami temple (including Sri Pattabhiramaswami temple)	Rs 21435-12-0
Sri Yoganarasimhaswami temple.	Rs 1780-4-0
Sri Pattabhiramaswami temple (hechukatle)	Rs 4-0-0
Miscellaneous	Rs 305-0-0
	Rs 23525-0-0

He thus provides for a reserve of Rs 250/- only, while he makes no provision for contribution towards Muzrai Establishment Fund which at 5 % of the gross income amounts to Rs 1188-12-0. It should however be noted here that he does not estimate the probable increase in income by the introduction of the new scale of fees of sevarthas.

THE PROPOSALS AS NOW REVISED:-

In the proposals now drawn up Sri Pattabhi Ramaswami temple is left out of account.

INCOME:- Including the increase in the fee on sevarthas as per new scale, the total income of the institutions from all sources is estimated at Rs 26900-9-8.

Sri Narayanaswami temple	Rs 22103-2-2)	
Sri Yoganarasimhaswami temple	Rs 3097-7-6)	
Income by the levy of toll on vehicals during important jatras.	Rs 200-0-0)	Vide Statement C & D.
Additional grant asked for from Government.	Rs 1500- 0-0)	
	Rs 26900-9-8	

Classified babwar, the income will fall under the following heads (vide statement D):-

Cash grant (exising) ...	Rs 21920-0-0
Income from lands ...	Rs 396-10-7
Interest on investments ...	Rs 268-0-0
Collections from Golaka including Mudupu	Rs 473-4-9
Collections from Sevarthas (when the new scale of fees comes into force) ...	Rs 1904-10-0 ~~1094-10-0~~
Income by levy of toll on vehicals during the important festivals	Rs 200-0-0 ~~240-0-4~~
Miscellaneous income ...	Rs 240-0-4
Additional grant now asked for	Rs 1500-0-0
	Rs 26900-9-8

1 Cash Grant:- The existing cash-grant was fixed more than 25 years ago when the cost of articles used in the temple was very much cheaper than it is to-day. I shall show later the need for additional grants being sanctioned to these Muzrai Institutions.

2. Income from lands:- A list of lands showing the present income therefrom is contained in statement E. Many of the lands are in the enjoyment of the Anubhavdars from a very long time and the latter either do not pay anything to the temple at all or pay ~~only~~ only a small putha or render some nominal service to the temple. The period and nature of possession have to be examined in detail in each case before any action can be taken in the interest of the temple. It is feared that in most cases the Anubhavadars have acquired by long enjoyment permanent occupancy rights and as such, the prospects of increasing the income from these lands are by no means bright. The most valuable landed property belonging to the institution is situated in the Channarayapatam Taluk and the Muzrai Superintendent has leased it out for a fixed rent for a period of 25 years. Thus there is not much hope of augmenting the resources of the institution from its lands in the immediate future.

3. Interest on Investment:- The income from this source is now steady; but it will diminish and ultimately vanish if the amount invested is gradually withdrawn for meeting the temple expenditure.

4. Collection from Golaka. The figure given in the statement is based on 13 years' average. There is no scope for increase under this head.

5. Collection from ~~servants~~ sevarthas:- The probable income from sevarthas when the new scale of fees comes into force is detailed in Statement F. According to that Statement the total income from the two temples will be Rs 2539-8-0

This figure has been calculated on the assumption that the number of sevarthas under each head will remain the same as at present; but this is improbable in view of the increased scale of fees proposed to be levied which will surely have the effect of decreasing the number of sevarthas performed in the temples. For this reason it was thought safer to take only 75 % of the total of income under this head. The scale of fees has been revised in accordance with the instructions of the First Member.

6. Income by the levy of toll on vehicles:- With a view to improve the temple receipts, the First Member has in his Note of Instructions suggested the opening of temporary toll gates and the levy of tolls on the large number of carts and other vehicles bringing devotees into Melkote on the occasion of Vairamudi and other important Festivals, and the division of net proceeds equally between the temple and the Municipality. In consultation with the local people, I have selected the undermentioned Festivals for the purposes of levying temporary tolls.

Name of Festival.	Period for which the levy of toll is to be imposed.
1. Vairamudi	15 days from Theppada Amavasye to Pournima.
2. Sri Ramanuja Char's Thirunakshtra.	3 days- the Thirunakshtra day being the last day.
3. Navarathri	10 days from Shasti to Pournimi.
4. Asthathirtha	2 days- the Ashta thirtha day and the previous days.
5. Sravana Shanivaras.	2 days for each Shanivara- i.e., the Saturday and the previous Friday.

The number of Vehicles entering Melkote during the above Festivals is estimated to be as follows:-

Name of Festival.	Carts.	Pleasure Carts.	Buses.
Vairamudi	750	40	150
Sri Ramanuja Charya Thirunakshtra	-	2	6
Navarathri	-	10	10
Asta thirtha	50	-	4
Sravana Shanivaras	50	-	4
Total ...	850	52	174

The scale of fees proposed is as follows:-

Cart ... 0-4-0

Pleasure Car 0-8-0

Bus ... 2-0-0

The estimated gross income comes to Rs 586-8-0. Deducting Rs 86-8-0 towards collection charges the net income will be Rs 500/-, the temple share being Rs 250/-. To be on the safe-side, I have provided for an income of Rs 200/- only under this head.

7. Miscellaneous Income:- Under this head are included all other kinds of income such as shop-tax etc. Rs 20-5-1 shown in statements C and D represents the average collections during the past 13 years. This item of Income is not capable of increase.

From the above discussions it will be seen that all the items of income with the exception of items 5 and 6 are either fixed sums or in-elastic and incapable of expansion, at any rate, in the near future. Items 5 and are new levies. The income derivable from them are ly rough approximates being based on uncertain data. P therefore as I shall show presently the expenditure s now revised is incapable of further reduction and ery nearly equals income, t[illegible] the only w[illegible] provid-

additional cash grant from Government. The present scale has been drawn up on the assumption that the Government will be pleased to favourably consider the sanction of an additional grant of R. 1500/- as indicated in the Member's Note.

EXPENDITURE AS NOW REVISED. The expenditure now proposed falls under the following heads:-

1. Establishment	...	Rs 9378- 0- 0
2. Nithyakatle	...	" 9174-12- 0
3. Hechukatle	...	" 5131 ~~5166- 0- 0~~
4. Miscellaneous	...	" 280- 0- 0
5. Contribution towards the Muzrai Establishment Fund being 5 % of Gross income.	...	" 1345- 0- 0
5. Reserve ...	...	" 1591-13-8 ~~1559-13- 0~~
Total ...		Rs 26900- 9- 8

For the purposes of Comparison I shall note below the existing expenditure and that proposed by the Muzrai Superintendent.

	Now existing.	As proposed by the Muz. Supdt.
1. Establishment	9051- 0- 0	9408- 0- 0
2. Nithyakatle	8127-12- 0	8931- 0- 0
3. Hechukatle	5155- 0- 9	4881- 0- 0
4. Miscellaneous	---	305- 0- 0
4. Reserve	1438- 4- 1	250- 0- 0
Total	Rs 23772- 0-10	Rs 23776- 0- 0

(vide Statement A).

Establishment. The revision of the establishment especially of the Sri Narayanaswami temple presents formidable difficulties. According to the Tastik Patti of 1900 the strength of Establishment of that temple excluding the Horagudies was 202, the aggregate salary of all the appointments put together being only Rs 615/-, which works out to an average pay of R 3/- per post. The number must have been even greater

prior to 1900, for, we find the then Muzrai Secretary amalgamating a number of minor posts into a single appointment on a consolidated pay when these posts were held by one and the same individual. The smallness of pay even in those days seems to have influenced him to take that step. 18 instances of amalagamation occur in the tastik patti. Thus kalyani pradakshine is combined with Thirtha Kynkarya and Shayana Hasige, Adige with Aramane Paricharike, Sripada with Tulasi and many adhyapakas with Vimana pradakshine or Kalyani pradakshine or Acharya Purusha.

Of the 202 appointments mentioned above there are a good many superfluous posts ~~posts~~ which may be abolished without causing the least inconvenience to the temple service. There are a number of minor appointments two or more of which may be conveniently be looked after by one individual and therefore, clubbed together into a single appointment. There are besides some sinecure posts with only nominal duties. In addition, there are about a dozen posts the duties whereof are no longer required to be rendered. It may, therefore, be thought that here is ample scope for effecting a considerable reduction in the strength of the Establishment either by the abolition or by the amalgamation of appointments. But unfortunately most of the temple appointments are hereditary almost the only exceptions being the posts of the Pechkar, the two out of the 4 gumasthas, the two parupathegars, the Shroff and some of the menials. Nearly 90 % of the temple Staff are ill-paid, the pay in the case of some being as low as 8 annas; and yet there are very few posts which have fallen vacant or for which there is not some claimant or other. In the above circumstances the problem of considerably reducing the Establishment strength is beset with many obstacles.

The Kuzrai Superintendent Mr. T. E. Jayarama Iyer proposed some drastic changes in the temple establishment. The main features of his proposals may be indicated here.

(1) He proposed to do away with all sinecure and superfluous appointments. The following are the most important:-

Prasada Maniya (No. 8)

Ugrandda Maniya (No. 9)

Vettu Adhika (No.14)

Shroff (No.15)

Five Viruna Pradakshines (Nos. 35-36,117,118 and 119)

Five Kalyani Pradakshines (Nos. 37,113,114,115 and 116)

Bhartha Vigraha Addika (No. 125)

do Parichanike (No. 127)

Supervision of Kalyani and Chaluvi Arasina Kola (128)

(2) He found inequality of pay prevailing among the same class of temple servants who were doing exactly the same duties. Such inequality prevailed among Sripadas, Bidimaniyas, Sthanika, Parichanika etc. He proposed to equalise their pay as far as possible.

(3) He was for raising the pay of merely all appointments by reducing the total strength. Thus he proposed to reduce the number of Sthanika from 9 to 7. Out of the 48 Adhyapakas and 7 Acharaya Purushas, he proposed to do away with the posts held by 24 Adhyapakas and 7 Acharya Purushas.

(4) With a view to further reduce the number and keep down the cost of revision he proposed to amalgamate a number of minor posts with other posts. In several cases appointments for which there are seperate barawardars were in this way added on. Thus for instance the posts of Iyal Ithihasa (No. 95) Alwandar Stotra (No.96) Yadugiri Mahatme (No.99) Bhagavadgitha Parayana (No. 100) Bhagavatha Parayana (No. 101) Bhandari (No. 103) Tere washing (No. 112) Thirtha Kyankarya and E

and Shayana Hasige (113) Sri Gandha (No. 108) and a number of Hora Gudies held by different persons were added to the duties of Paricharkas, Staniks, Adyapakas etc. Including the Bidi Gudies the total number of appointments borne on the Establishment of Sri Narayanaswami temple is 240. The Muzrai Superintendent proposed to reduce the figure to 144. Similarly the strength of Yoga Narasimha Swami temple was proposed to be reduced from 32 to 22. The cost of Establishment however rose from Rs 9051 to 9408 per annum. The other important features of the Muzrai Superintendent's proposals are:-

(1) The proposal to create a new appointment called Sheristedar on Rs 20/- to supervise Valagudi work and to keep one of the temple Mohars.

(2) The proposal to have three archaks instead of two for the Narayanaswami temple.

(3) The proposal to create the posts of Sevartha Parupathegars- one for the lower temple and the other for the temple on the Hill to receive Sevarthagars and to attend to Sevartha Functions.

The Muzrai Superintendent's proposals evoked much opposition and strong protests from those who would be adversely affected by them. When they were sent to me it was my task to modify them in such way as to conciliate opposition and to remove any just grievance. I threshed out the matter again with the Dharmadarsis and with their concurrence re-cast the Muzrai Superintendent's proposals. The main principles on which I framed my proposals may be briefly stated thus:-

(1) To give increase of pay, not as a matter of course in all cases, but only in those cases where an increase was truly deserved.

(2) To reduce the number of appointments by combining two or more of them into a sirgle appointment on a consolidated pay in nearly all cases where the barawerd of those

appointments stood in the name of one and the same person.

(3) To abolish all unnecessary and sinecure posts. If the barawarddars of the appointments which were done away with were actually residing at Melkote and attending to the duties an attempt was made to provide them with suitable appointments on the same or nearly the same pay. If on the other hand the barawardars were living elsewhere and there was no probability of their returning to Melkote or if their family had become extinct no compensation was proposed.

The revised scale drawn up by me was looked into by the First Member in Council during his last visit to Melkote on the occasion of Vairamudi Festival. After discussing all the issues involved with the Deputy Commissioner and the Dharmadarsis he issued the following instructions and asked me to modify my proposals in the light thereof.

(1) Appointments should not be clubbed together except in cases where such a course was found quite necessary.

(2) The pay of only such of the whole time servants as Archaks, Gumasthas, peons etc. whom it is not possible to secure on the present scale of pay should be suitably raised and that of others to be left undisturbed as it is..

(3) All sinecure appointments for which there is no need at present should be abolished. In case these appointments are supported by the old sannads the barawardars should be insisted on performing the duties prescribed as far as possible.

The present proposals are recast in the light of the above instructions. The principal modifications proposed to be introduced into the existing scale may be indicated here.

(1) The following posts are proposed to be abolished as unnecessary:-

Sri Narayana Swami Temple:- Prasada Maniya (No.8) Ugranada Maniya (No.9) Vottu Addika (No.14) Shroff (No. 15) Twelve Adhyapakas (Nos. 6, 71 to 81) Adhyana teacher (No. 82)

Acharya purusha (89), Gotmaabagilu Kavalgar (150), Cleaning (No.157) Ilali (No.159) Mohari and Shruthi on the hill (Nos.161 and 164) Mukhaveene (No.168) Nagari (172) Dhobi (No.186).

Sri Yoga Narasimhaswami temple. Two vedaparayanas (Nos. 4 and 12) Veene (No. 21).

The barawardars of Prasada Maniya, Ugranada Maniya and Vottu Addikare residing elsewhere. If they intend returning to Melkote for the sake of these appointments they will be provided with suitable posts in the existing vacancies.

(2) No enhancement of pay has been proposed except in the case of the following appointments:-

(a) The pay of the Head Gumastha is raised to Rs. 25/- so that he may be recruited from the Taluk Office.

(b) The posts of Jinsi and Bokkasada Gumasthas are ascertained to be hereditary. New duties have been added on to them. Hence slight increment in pay is proposed. So also in the case of the Naradi Gumastha who will, in future, do the work of the Shroff in addition to his own duties.

(c) The pay of the two Parupathegars is equalised and raised to Rs. 6/- in order to improve their status and attract better type of people for the job. The duties assigned to the Sevartha Parupathegar by the Muzrai Superintendent are added on to them. It may be noted that these appointments are non-hereditary.

(d) The Archak's pay is proposed to be enhanced to Rs. 12/-.

(e) The pay of the menials such as Sripadas, Kavalgars, peons, havaldars and Sepoys is suitably raised. One of the Sripadas was supplying Tulasi for which he was getting an allowance of Rs. 3/-. This function will now be entrusted to a separate man on a pay of Rs. 3/-. An allowence of Rs. 2/- is proposed to be given to the most competent Sripada for the time being. In view of

the enhanced pay given to them the rice allowance which these servants were hitherto receiving on hechukatle occasions will be stopped.

(f) The pay of the Adige and Aramane paricharkas is raised by Rs 2/-. It is found in practice that one man cannot attend to both these duties. In future, the man attending to Adige will get Rs 8/- and the man attending to Aramane Paricharkie Rs4/-.

(g) The pay of certain temple servants who are required to supply yagnopavitham has been slightly raised in view of the increased cost of that article.

(h) The pay of the Shanbhog on the Hill is raised ~~xx~~ to Rs 4/- as he will be entrusted with the new duty of collecting fees on sevarthas and maintaining accounts in respect of them.

It will be seen from the above that the pay in no case has been raised except for valid reasons.

(3) No two or more appointments are clubbed together on the ground that they are held by one and the same person. They are kept separate as per Member's instructions.

(4) Pending orders of Government the undermentioned sinecure appointments are proposed to be retained.

(a) Five Vimana Pradaksines (Nos. 35, 36, 117, 118 and 119).

(b) Five Kalyani Pradakshines (Nos. 37, 113, 114, 115 and 116).

(c) Bhaktha Vigraha Addika (125).

(d) Do Paricharaka (127).

(e) Supervision of Kalyani and Chaluve Arasinakola (128).

All these appointments except Nos. 118 and 119 carry good pay. The duties attached to Bhakta Vigraha Addika and supervision of Kalyani and Chaluve Arasina Kola are of a nominal character. The Bhaktha vigrahas have two paricharikas. There is really no need for two. One of them may be conveniently dispensed with. The duties of the appointments mentioned in clauses (a) and (b) are no longer required to be done. Post all

the above appointments are hereditary and moreover, the barawarddars thereof are sannad holders except perhaps those of serial numbers 118 and 119. All of them except the barawardars of numbers 35, 115 and 119 are residing at Melkote and are actually attending to the duties. The barawardars of serial Number 115 does not appear to have left Melkote for good. There is a probability of his returning to his native place shortly. The other two have settled down in distant places and may not care to come back. According to the First Member's instructions the barawardars of sinecure appointments who are also sannad holders should be insisted on performing their duties. Now in the case of Pradakshine people Mr. A. Srinivasa Char directed in 1900 that they need not attend to Vimana and Kalyani Pradakshines and that they should in future supervise the work of menials borne on the temple establishment (vide the register of duties - extract enclosed) They have accordingly ceased to do the duties which their designation indicates for well over 25 years. The question whether they should be told to go back to their old duties has now to be decided by Government. I have perused the sannads produced by some of the Paradakshine people. (copies attached hereto) I am not an expert in interpreting sannads, but it seems to me that they are personal in character not entitling the decendants of the grantees to the privileges and emoluments mentioned therein. Whatever may be the true nature of these sannads there is no gain-saying the fact that the legal heirs of the original grantees have enjoyed the posts from the dates on which the sannads were issued. Whether it is practicable to abolish these appointments at this distance of time is a point for the consideration of Government. Such a step will no doubt result in an appreciable reduction in expenditure incurred on the

establishment. There are not many posts which carry the same or nearly the same pay as these appointments and the few that exist are not vacant. There is thus no scope for providing them with suitable other appointments in case the Government finally decide to dispense with the pradakshine appointments. The present claimant to Bhaktha vigraha Addika is Mr. A. N. Raghva Char who is a member of the Mysore Civil Service. Neither he nor his ancestors have attended to the duty in person. The barawardar of "The Supervision of Kalyani and Chaluva Arasinakola" was formerly the Addika of Sri Yogararassimha swami Temple by virtue of a sannad issued by His Late Highness. But the post of Addika was abolished by Mr. A. Srinivasa char and when the barawardar appealed to Government a new post called " the Supervision of Kalyani and Chaluve Arasina Kola" was created and conferred on him. He is still entitled to and gets the miras in the Hill temple due to the Addika as per terms of the old sannad although he is not attending to its duties. He is prepared to the supervision work although as I have already stated it is of a nominal character. The fact that the late Muzarai Secretary when he drew up the scale of 1900 retained all these appointments shows that there are inherent difficulties in the way of abolishing them.

The total expenditure under establishment as revised by me comes to R 9375/- per annum as against R 9051/- of the existing scale and R 9408-0-0 as proposed by the Muzrai Superintendent. No further reduction in expenditure is possible unless we abolish all sinecure appointments mentioned in the previous para or reduce the pay of the Peshkar who is the only high paid servant in the temples. The strength of the establishment of the Sri Narayanaswami temple and the horagudies is reduced from 240 to 206 and that of Sri Yoga Narasimha swami from 31 to 28. It should not however be imagined that there will be working 206 persons in the Sri Narayanaswami temple and 28 persons in the Sri Yoganarasimhaswami temple when

the revision proposals come into operation. As I have already stated there are many instances in which one person is the baravarddar of more than one appointment. The number of posts could have been further reduced if the clubbing together of two or more appointments had been permitted.

Nithya Katle. In the term nithyakatle, I have included the following items of expenditure:-

(1) Nithyakatle proper consisting of Nivedana, Abhisheka and Aradhane and Deeparadhane and miscellaneous daily expenditure.

(2) Vara, Paksha and Masa Katles,

(3) Sthalavasa.

(4) Bhatamanya.

I have proposed for an expenditure of 9174-12-0 per annum under this head as against ₹ 8127-12-0 (existing) and ₹ 8951-0-0 (proposed by the Huzral Superintendent). The provision for Sthalavasa and Bhatamanya remains the same while that under Nityakatle shows only a slight increase. A sum of ₹ 1-4-0 is newly provided for Nakshtrakatle in Pillekachar's Sannidhi as per Revenue Secretary's letter No. 1385/Huz. 205-23-4 dated 9th April 1924. The bulk of the increase is under Nitya katle proper. There is a standing complaint that for want of adequate provision in the Kastia patti the chief nivedana for the day viz., Chinnada Thaligo Pongal is very indifferently prepared, that Nanda dipa does not burn all the 24 hours, that the temple is badly lighted up and will have no lights after 10 p.m, and that the Desantries are uncared for in the temple. To remedy these defects I have proposed an increase in the allotment for (1) Chinnada thaligo Pongal (2) Shudhanne (for preparing padies for nivedana in the Suthalu gudies and bhakta vigraha sannidhi) (3) Ghee for Nanda

deepa (4) Kerosene oil (to increase the number of lights) (5) Mosaranna (for distribution among Desantris at nights) and (6) Fuel, Camphor and Contingencies (the existing grants are inadequate).

I have made no variation in the Nithyakatle expenditure in the Sri Yoganarasimhaswami Temple.

Hechukatle. The total expenditure under this head according to my proposals comes to R ~~5166~~ 5131/- as against R ~~5155-0-9~~ 5155-0-9 (existing) and R 4801-0-0 (proposed by the Muzrai Superintendent. Thus the expenditure remains the same as at present. What I have done is to redistribute the total expenditure among the several items in order to meet the changed cordition of the times and the circumstances. I have proposed the stoppage of the distribution of rice, jaggory and Cocoanuts to temple servants on certain Hechukatle occasions and utilize the savings effected thereby for increasing the allotment for certain other festivals notably, the Vairanmudi Festival. In the case of the latter the sanctioned allotment is being exceeded every year and special sanction is being obtained for the extra expenditure incurred. Two additional items have been provided for as per instructions. (1) R 25/- for sending Mariyada to Sri Parakala Mutt on the occasion of Chaturmasa sankalpa-, (2) R 25/- for meeting the expenses in -- connection with the visit of the Swamigalu of the said Mutt to Melkote.

In the scale now drawn up the provision for each Hechukatle has been made with reference to the actual requirements and after a careful scrutiny of the budget of recent years. I do not think that any further deduction in the expenditure is possible.

Miscellaneous. A sum of R 280/- is provided for the purchase of wood and bamboos, chimneys, wicks etc., clothing to Sepoys and for White-washing. At present no provision for expenses of this kind exists and the Peshkar has to apply for special sanction in every such case.

Contribution towards the Muzrai Establishment Fund:- The temple at Melkote have not so far contributed their quota towards the Muzrai Establishment Fund nor has the Muzrai Superintendent made any provision therefor in the scale drawn up by him. The Revenue Secretary in his letter No. 1385 Muz. 205-23-4 dated 9th April 1924, has intimated that the Government are not in favour of exempting any Muzrai Institution from this levy. The First Member of Council during his recent tour to Melkote expressed the same view. It was represented to him that the resources of the temples did not permit of any such contribution being made even after taking into account the increase in income by the levy of fees on sevarthas and of toll on vehicles. He was pleased to say that the Government would favourably consider the question of increasing the cash-grant by Rs 1500/-. On the assumption that this additional grant will be sanctioned I have worked out the total gross income at Rs 23000/- and provided 5 % thereof viz., Rs 1345/- for contribution towards Muzrai Establishment Fund. In view of this contribution no provision has been made under Establishment to meet a portion of the Salary of the Muzrai Clerk working in the Seringapatam Taluk Office.

Conclusion. In the tastik patti of 1900, the annual expenditure was limited to the cash-grant i.e., Rs 21920-0-0. I have stated before that the actual expenditure now incurred is in the neighbourhood of Rs 23000/- including the cost of annual repairs, and other incidental charges. The Muzrai Superintendent has provided for an expenditure of Rs 23775/- while my proposals involve a sum of Rs ~~23365-10-0~~ 23963-12-0 on the expenditure side exclusive of the contribution towards the Muzrai Establishment Fund and the reserve. It is a well known fact that the value of the rupee has considerably depreciated during last 25 years and as such any revision of the scale of expenditure is bound to result in an increase in expenditure to the extent of nearly a thousand rupees cannot

In the above circumstances it is submitted that the increase

be considered to be unreasonably high. If I had a free hand in dealing with the Establishment, further reduction in expenditure could have been effected. But I have dwelt upon the difficulties of doing away with all superfluous and sinecure appointments. My aim in drawing up these proposals has been to limit the expenditure under "Establishment" to the barest minimum and to give increased allotments to Nivedana, to parading the certain annual festivals which attract a large number of pilgrims to devotees. At present these items are starved. Melkote is looked upon as a place of great sanctity and a favourite place of pilgrimage in Southern India. The devotees to visit it have yet to find in the temple service a standard of efficiency and grandeur worthy of its ancient traditions and its scene of activity for a good number of years of the great poet-saint Ramanuja Alwar. We must here to open up this standard and if possible effect reduction in expenditure is attempted.

I have stated that the export trade from all sources is Rs. 93772-0-10. By levying fees on everything and toll on vehicles using important jatras the income is expected to increase to Rs. 25400-0-0. Including the contribution towards the Muzrai Establishment Fund the total expenditure, estimated by income would be Rs. ~~25308-12-0~~ 25308-12-0 which leaves a surplus of only Rs. 91-1-0. This amount is grossly inadequate to build up a reserve. At present one thousand and forty rupees is set aside every year and yet the accumulated balance at the credit of the institution is only Rs. 2741-15-1. Many of the temple buildings are in disrepair and the question of putting them in order will have to receive the early attention of the authorities concerned. The temple car is very old and the materials used in its construction have lost nearly all their strength and elasticity. The problem of replacing it by a new car has become almost urgent. The gopurams are crumbling into

decay partly by neglect and partly by lapse of time and their renovation is ~~lightly~~ likely to cost several thousands of rupees. In the above circumstances, ~~xxxx~~ it is of the utmost importance that a strong reserve should be built up to meet expenditure of this kind. In my opinion at least a sum of Rs 1500 should be laid by annually. It is for this reason I have asked for an additional grant of Rs 1500/- from Government.

The Muzrai Superintendent has prepared two lists one showing the Sudhanna padies for nivedana in the Suthalu and horagudies and the other showing the distribution of Bosai in the Sri Narayanaswami and Sri Yoga Narasimhaswami temples. The said lists contemplate certain charges in the existing practice which are sure to give rise to endless quarrel between the Vadagalas and Tenkalas. Similar trouble will arise if the rules framed by the Muzarai Superintendent for the distribution of prasada in Government and private sevarthas are approved. The matter may, in a sense, be said to be sub-judice since the question is pending in appeal before the Deputy Commissioner. The Dharmadarsis are of opinion that the above three lists may not be approved of by Government and I agree with them.

I agree

The rules framed by the Muzrai Superintendent for minimising the evil effects of the Gumastha system were explained to the Dharmadarsis and their opinion invited. They were very much divided in their views and did not furnish me with their considered opinion. I am however of opinion that the said rules are concieved on right lines and if properly enforced, will put an end to the existing abuses.

The number of pilgrims visiting Melkote on ordinary days is small. The existing arrangements appear to be

adequate to feod them. But no arrangement exists for feeding the large number of Desantries who resort to Melkote on hechukatle occasions such as Vairamudi Festival, Sri Ramanuja Char's Thirunakshtram etc. The Dharmadarsis compute their total number at 5000 for the whole year and have asked for an allotment of R 1800/- out of the State Chatram Savings. I had provided R 1800/- for this purpose in the scale originally drawn up by me, but was later on compelled to omit it in order to balance the income and expenditure. The First Member of Council who scrutinized my proposals ovinedthat the demand under this head might be limited to R 1200/-. It is requested that at least a sum of R 1200/- may be kindly sanctionod by Governmert out of the Chatram savings for feeding Deshantries visiting Melkote on the occasion of important Festivals.

Sd/- K. Subba Rao,

Sub Dn. Officer,
French Rocks.

" C o p y "

V G Venkatarao

for Dep. Comm
Mysore Dist

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From the Pahara Sepoys & Havaldar of the Sri Narayanaswami Temple at Melkote, peta read on 7-5-28.

Pray for increase of pay.

Secretary's remarks on the peta.

Recd. by Regd. post. The petitioners made a personal representation to me when I visited Melkote on the occasion of Sri Ramanujachari Tirunakshatram recently. The request seems deserving of consideration In what stage is the revision of the scale of the Temple establishment. Some relief to the poorly paid menials seems called for May be subd to the 2nd Member for obtaining a report from the Muz: Comr.

(HD) B. S.
7-5-28.

The revision of the Temple scale is pending with the Muz. Comr. File is put up herewith. If approved, the peta will be sent to M. C. for consideration in connection with the revision of the Temple scale.

SD
14-5-28

2nd Member)
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Serial No.	
	Draft letter to M.C. is put up. 89 16.5.28 16/5/28 Mer 185 16/5/28
5.	To. Mer Comr No 2089 & 175:28 Forwards the above for consideration in Conr with the revision of the scale.
6	Letter No 773/22-23 dated the 31st August & 1st Sept 1930 from the Inspr Genl Comm in Coorg forwarding a set of draft rules for the [redacted] ment of Malabars and Bhatkemanya allowances at Melkote. In this office letter No 1614/ Insp 205-23 dated the 9th May 1925 the Inspr Genl Comm was requested to submit proposals for revising the scale of income and expenditure of the temples at Melkote &c.

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1)
Letter no 1279/Imp 265 25-2
dated the 7th April 1926 the
Imperial which the Exist-
ing scale had to be revised
was indented

In letter no 1657/Imp
265-25-3 dated the 15th
May 1926 the Secretary
of State sanctioned the
the distribution of Staleman,
B. Intermediate and Additional
allowances to the servants
of the Mehkota temples.

In the P.W.D. the Engineer
Executive & Intermediate
a set of draft rules
for regarding Staleman
& Blackcamp allow-
ances for the Executive
upstaff

The draft rules for
by the Darjeeling Depu
are in which the M.C's
perquisites are stated
& the cases are not a
file and if appointed
will be called for
as when necessary

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Income & customs Tariff of the Imperial notifications at Simla, together with a copy of the def Indus re Grant of Shalawana & Chattamanga allowances suspended by Govt of Jaipur Govt.

24 to 30.

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Mez File No. 265 - 25

Serial No. 7

Sus. Regr. No. 36

Shall a reminder issue to

Mez Cmr

for a reply to this Office No. 856, dated the 23rd October 30.

Subject.

Requesting him to send up proposals for the revision of the scale of income and expenditure of the Mez institutions at Mercara etc. under the Coorg Local Funds Draft rules regarding the grant of Sthalavasa & Bhatamanya allowances

file
Put up with Dmo. 719.
on 15/11/30
Subs a reminder
RG
16/12 - Issue
MSR
16/12/30.

After issue please submit this proposals. It will perhaps be desirable to record the file of 25 and keep it sus with the reminder of 23-10-30, orders being passed on the proposals received from the M.C. hereafter in a file of the current year. Subord proceedings
MSR
16/12/30. Yes -
VS
17.12.30

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No.	Date	
Reminder No 693 1352	16-9-30 16-12-30	Also kept in file

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Section Mur
File No 265-28
Serial No. 2

General and Revenue Secretariat

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No.

~~The Director of Irrigation~~
Mahaweli

To The Mun: Comr

Date of issue .....

Signed by.....

Sir,

In continuation of
their Office letter No. 1383/
Mahaweli 205-23-4 of 9-4-24
on the subject of the revision
of scale of Expenses in the
Sri Nanagana Irrigation temple
at Nelkoti, I am directed
to forward herewith a
Copy of the Office note
in the matter indicating
the lines on which the scale

Govt.

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has been revised, and
I request that a draft
Scale of income and
Expenditure prepared
on the lines of those
followed in the Office
and before the 15th May 1926.

2) The question of
Salaries and Establishment
allowances will be considered
in the order passed in the
matter in due course.

Yours &c

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to the Secretary, Revenue Works Sub Committee,
for information.

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SUBJECT 30

Diary No. of letter replied to . . . .

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File No. 265-25
Serial No. 3

General and Revenue Secretariat

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No. 1452

Govt

Date of issue... 13/5/26 To

Signed by. .....

The Mily Comr

Sir,

In continuation of
this office letter no. 1279
Mur 265-25-2
dated the 7th April 1926
I am directed to forward
a copy of
herewith Govt order no.
M. 461-2 G 8-2-92 &
explaining the scope of
the Notification, Relaxing
& Additional allowances &
the Secondary Over. incident
thereto, together with

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a draft of draft rules on the subject prepared in 1922 by Mr. T.E. Jeyaratnam Aiyar and I request that you will be so good as to intimate, if necessary in consultation with the Govt. Surveyor, your views in the matter to submit revised rules for the orders of Govt. as early as possible.

for the regularisation of their observance

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Yours

Member

15/5/26

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Note.

The First Member of Council visited Melkote during his tour of inspection and was present there for the Vairamudi Utsavam. This occasion was taken advantage for meeting the Deputy Commissioner of Mysore and the Sub Division Officer, French Rocks as well as the Dharmadarsies of the Sri Narayanaswamy Temple at Melkote for discussing the question of the revision of expenditure in the temples. Two meetings were held, one on the 23rd March 1926 and the other on the 25th idem, the 24th being the Vairamudi Day. The Deputy Commissioner was present at the first meeting but could not ~~not~~ attend the meeting of the 25th March as he had to go away to Nanjangud for the Rathothsavam there.

2. The draft scale of expenditure prepared by the Sub Division Officer was scrutinised together with the recommendations made in Mr. Jayarama Iyer's note received with the Muzrai Commissioner's letter No. C.773 dated 22nd February 1924. The Sub Division Officer had taken great pains to study the requirements of the temple and to frame a fairly suitable scale of expenditure. According to his proposals certain sinecure appointments carrying very small salaries were to be abolished and some of the appointments clubbed together so that the persons holding them may get a decent living salary. Considering that the object of having a large number of appointments was to help as many families as possible

to reside in the place and live in an orthodox style doing service in the temple the Member of Council was of opinion that it was not desirable to club the appointments together except in cases where such a course was found quite necessary. After a discussion of the several questions raised at the meeting with the local officers as well as the Dharmadarsies, the First Member desired that the revised scale proposed by the Sub-Division Officer may be modified in the light of the following instructions. and sent up for the consideration and orders of Government through the Muzrai Commissioner:

(1) The pay of only such of the whole-time temple servants as Archaks, Gumastas, peons &c. whom it is not possible to secure on the present scales of pay to be suitably raised and that of others such as Adhyapakas, Staniks &c., to be left undisturbed as it is. With regard to Archaks, it was considered that there may be 3 Archaks for all the temples (including the one on the hill) on a pay of Rs.12 p.m. each. The Head Gumasta of the temple may be given the same pay as the last grade Taluk Gumasta so that he may be recruited from the Taluks. The other Gumastas who may be local men need not be paid more than Rs.10 to 15 p.m.

(2) All sinecure appointments for which there is no need at present to be

abolished. In case these appointments are supported by old Sannads, the barawardars/performing the duties prescribed, as far as possible should be insisted on. These appointments may, wherever convenient, be combined with non-hereditary appointments such as gumastas, ~~so as to give~~ a ~~higher rate~~ of pay to the holders thereof ~~a~~ more than remuneration.

(3) Each service for which separate remuneration is fixed to be performed by a separate person, as far as possible.

(4) Residence at Melkote and the performance of the prescribed service in person to be made obligatory in respect of all persons except in the case of Acharya Purushas and others the payments made to ~~them being~~ for more in the nature of a mark of respect than ~~as~~ remuneration for services rendered. Gumastas not to be allowed except in the case of widows and minors, the gumasta appointed being subject to the approval of the Deputy Commissioner in consultation with the Dharmadarsies. Such approval will be withheld if the nominee is not competent and qualified to perform the duties prescribed for the post and if he holds other posts or performs other services for which he is getting pay separately.

(5) The scale of paditara and other Nithiagatle and Hetchukatle expenses including the akanda to be revised as per personal instructions given at the meeting.

4. The Sub Division Officer having represented that an extra cost of about -

Rs.3,000 would be required to meet the additional charges consequent on the revision, even after taking into account the additional income that may be obtained by the proposed increase in the scale of seva fees, he was told that every attempt should be made to see that the increase does not exceed Rs.1,500 a year, and that Govt. would try to sanction an additional grant not exceeding this amount temporarily for a few years until the temple was in a position to improve its receipts from the produce of the lands which the Dharmadarsies have asked to be granted at a concession rate and about which the Deputy Commissioner is said to be taking necessary action.

3. ~~4.~~ The question of the revision of scale of fees for the several sevas with a view to improve the resources of the temple was discussed and it was decided that the scale proposed by the Sub Division Officer with some slight alterations suggested by the Dharmadarsies i.e. the omission of fees for cocoanuts may be approved.

5. The ~~question of~~ suggestion of improving the temple receipts by the levy of a pilgrim tax from the large number of pilgrims who go to the place all through the year was then discussed. It was pointed out by the Member of Council that this was not a desirable measure and that instead of it, he would suggest the opening of temporary toll-gates and the recovery of tolls by the Municipality on the large number of carts and other vehicles bringing devotees into Melkote on the occasion of the Vairamudi and other important festivals. The levy and the collection

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work may be under the management of the - Revenue authorities and the proceeds divided equally between the temple and the Municipality which has to attend to the sanitary and other arrangements on such occasions.

6. Some of the Dharmadarsies referred to the regularisation of Sthalavasi and - Bhatamanya allowances. The Member ~~proposed~~ promised to look into the question and pass suitable - orders.

9/4/26

Mur 1287
Mur 265-25/Rules, Outfile

Wb

7th April 1926.

To

The Sub Division Officer,

French Rocks.

Dear Sir,

I send you herewith, under the orders of the First Member of Council, copy of a Note embodying the result of th discussions he had with yourself and the Deputy Commissioner regarding the revisio of the scale of expenditure in the temples at Melkote and indicating the genera lines on which the revision should be effected. I am to request you to kindly attend to the matter at once, so that you may be able to submit the papers to the Deputy Commissioner as soon as you receive instructions from him on the subject.

The Member expects to issue orders in the matter before the end of ~~the~~ this month.

The papers and statements I received from you in person at Melkote are herewith sent for reference and submission to the Deputy Commissioner.

Yours sincerely,

K. Subba Rao, Esq., B.A.,

Sub Division Officer,

French Rocks.

A.S.\ F.S.V.I.\ G.I.]

SUBJECT.....

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Section Mun

File No. 265-25

Serial No. 5

No. 2089 Income

Diary No. of letter replied to.....1520.....

General and Revenue Secretariat

(Mun)

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Date of issue 17/5/25

Signed by Mr. J.K. Somasekhar Iyer

To The Mun: Comr in Mysore, Bangalore

Sir,

I am directed to forward herewith a petn regd no. 1520 received from the Palace Seroop and Havaldar of the Sri Narayanaswami temple at Melkote praying for increase of their pay; and to request that their prayer, ~~may~~ which seems to be deserving of consideration, may be taken into consideration in connection

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OFFICE OF THE MUZRAI COMMISSIONER IN MYSORE,

Bangalore, [illegible] 193[illegible]

No 773 22-3.

Muz 265-25-(1)

FROM

Rajakaryapravina

P G D'SOUZA, ESQ, BA, BL,

Muzrai Commissioner in Mysore

FINANCE SECTION
2/SEP
To

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SIR,

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2. 1. Schedule sa.

As regards Rule 1, the number of recipients to be covered by the grant has been increased, as it is seen from the present number is shown as 812. [illegible] the rates have enhanced in view of the [illegible] distribution.

Rule 3, [illegible] the only distribution [illegible]

I would suggest that the distribution may be made once a --- fortnight and the Peshkar made expressly responsible to personally see that only those what live permanently at Melkote get the allowance and none of those who only visit the place at the time of distribution of the allowance.

Re Rule 5, as per present market rate, the rate per mudda of --- rice may be taken at Rs.20/- as suggested by the Deputy Commissioner and the daily distribution reduced from 66 to 46 seers.

Rule 6, the first sentence may be retained as it is while the second sentence may be constituted into a sub-clause and adopted as suggested by the Deputy Commissioner.

Rules 7,8 and 9 may stand as they are.

2. ii Bhatamanya

As regards Rule 1 of the rules for the distribution of the --- Bhatamanya allowance, the Deputy Commissioner's suggestion that an exception should be made in favour of persons who have religious --- scruples to take cooked rice in the temple, such as, smartha brahmins who are even now getting uncooked rice, may be adopted and the rule --- altered as follows:-

'Bhatamanya should ordinarily be in the shape of cooked rice and no commutation should be allowed except in the case of persons who have religious scruples to take cooked rice in the Temple and who are now getting uncooked rice."

The Deputy Commissioner's suggestion as regards Rule 4 that the scale should be 4 persons per seer of rice may be accepted.

4. With the above modifications the rules now proposed-which are agreed to by the Dharmadarsis may be kindly approved.

I append hereto a copy of the rules incorporating the -----

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assed in the matter.

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

Federal Commissioner.

FOR REVISION OF STALAVASA. 52

The following conditions should be observed in distributing the Stalavasa akki.

1. The distribution should be confined to the families now in receipt of it at the time of the samaad. Those are reported to belong to 312 families as this is the number in the register now. But as admittedly the original 250 families have enlarged themselves into 312 families by effluxion of time, the separate members of a family being known as distinct families.

2. Residence should be a necessary condition and no right to appoint Gumastas should be recognized.

3. To ensure that the recipients are not merely visiting at the time of distribution, the distribution should be made fortnightly and all persons should be personally present to receive except for very satisfactory reasons such as illness etc. The Peshkar should have held expressly responsible to see that only those that live permanently at Melkote get the allowance and none others who visit the place at the time of distribution.

4. The members of a family above the age of seven will alone be entitled to receive.

5. At 20 rupees a palla the present Tasdik will permit of the distribution of 46 seers per day which will be increased or decreased according to the ruling rates in the market.

6. The rate will be $\frac{1}{8}$ seer per day as at present and calculated according to the members of a family now resident at Melkote.

In case at any particular distribution there are not sufficient number of participants present, the rice of the absents should be proportionately distributed among those present at the time of distribution.

7. No family will receive less than $\frac{1}{4}$ seer or more than 1 seer per day and no person will be entitled to receive in more than one capacity.

8. The married daughters in a house will not be entitled to the

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unless they are married into a family entitled to Dalavasa.

9. Where the payment goes to a minna Gotra descend nt such as daughter's son, sister's son, the payment should stop with that individual as his family is not originally included in the original list of families entitled to participate.

Bhatanonya.

1. Bhatanonya should ordinarily be in the shape of cooked rice and no commutation should be allowed, except in the case of persons who have religious scruples to take cooked rice in the temple and who are now getting uncooked rice.

2. No person or families who are entitled to Dalavasa --- should be included in Bhatanonya distribution list except in the case of those who hold a special sanad to that effect.

3. The Prasada should be in the shape of Alankara and at no time should it exceed 10 seers a day but may be decreased in the slack season.

4. The distribution should be made in quantities sufficient to satisfy the hunger of an adult person and ordinarily at the rate of 4 men for 1 seer of rice.

5. A list of people entitled to Bhatanonya should be made out according to the principles laid down under Dalavasa and the distribution should be made to persons who are actually present at the temple at the time of distribution.

6. After the above class have received their share the balance should be distributed in the following order:-

1. Desantries
2. Students of the Patasala who are poor and have no other means of livelihood.
3. Resident people who get neither Dalavasa not Bhatanonya and who are poor and hold no employment in the ----- temple and

and

4. Other students.

Respectfully,

Luzrai Dom Ionior.

Letter No.H.84/A.C. dated [illegible] 24th [illegible] Deputy Commissioner, Mysore District to [illegible] Muzrai [illegible] Mysore.

Subhlavsu and Thatigai allowances - [illegible] modifications in draft rules.

[illegible] reference [illegible] .77 [illegible] 7/1st [illegible] 1.96 [illegible] in [illegible] allowances [illegible] draft rules [illegible] enclosed in the file) have been [illegible] officers and [illegible] also discussed [illegible] following modifications -

Subhlavsu allowance.

Rule No.1.

The number of recipients [illegible] 570 may be [illegible] to 512 [illegible] number of recipients in the Subhlavsu [illegible]

Rule No.3.

The proposed weekly distribution involves considerable -- labour and maintenance [illegible] to [illegible] changed to the present system of [illegible] will be made expressly responsible [illegible] those [illegible] visit [illegible] time of distribution.

Rule No.5

As per present [illegible] Rs.20/- [illegible] be substituted for [illegible] of Rs.14/- and consequently -- distribution of 66 seers a [illegible] to 40 [illegible]

Rule 6.(2)

The rice of the absentees [illegible] among those present at [illegible] of distribution.

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22nd October

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S.P. Rajagopalachari, Esq., B.A., B.L.,
muzrai Commissioner in Mysore, Bangalore.

With reference to the correspondence ending with your letter No.773 of 1922-23 dated the 31st August/~~1930~~ 1st September 1930, forwarding for consideration draft rules for the payment of Sthalavasa and Bhatamanya allowances at Melkote, I am directed to state that it would be inconvenient to deal with the present proposals in the absence of clear information as to the scale of income and expenditure of the temples at Melkote and to request you to be so good as to submit very early proposals for the revision of the scale of income and expenditure in respect of all the Muzrai Institutions at the place (already called for in this Office letter No.1279/~~dated~~ muz.265-25-2 dated 7th April 1926 and subsequent reminders). A copy of the draft rules re grant of the Stalavasa and Bhatamanya allowances prepared by Mr. Jayarama Iyer may be sent to this office for reference.

I have the honor to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient servant,

V Subrahmanyasastri

for Secretary to Government,
~~Financial~~ Department.

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Appendix F G—1

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Section Imzpai

File No. 265.25

Serial No. 7.

No. 856

Diary No. of letter replied to 342

General and Revenue Secretariat
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To
The Imzpai Comb

Date of issue 23-10-30

Signed by Mr. V. S. Sastry

Sir,

With reference to the correspondence ending with your No 773/22.23 dated the 31st August 1930 (1st S. Number) forwarding for Commission draft rules for the payment of Subsistence & Detention allowances & including item other than I-

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22.10.30

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